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SUBJECT: CUBAN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA

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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

1. IN RESPONSE REFTTEL, BEAR IN MIND THAT THE SECRETARY AND SILVEIRA CONVERSED PRIVATELY WITHOUT NOTETAKER FOR ALMOST A HALF HOUR PRIOR TO LUNCH.

2. AT LUNCH, SILVEIRA DEFENDED RECOGNITION OF ANGOLA AS AN EVENT THAT DID NOT GO AGAINST USG INTERESTS. HE ARGUED BRAZIL HAD ALREADY BEEN THERE, AND THE USG HAD NOT ADEQUATELY INFORMED BRAZIL PRIOR TO THE EVENT. BRAZIL WAS MERELY ACTING IN CONSONANCE WITH ITS INTERESTS IN AFRICA AND IN THE PORTUGUESE SPEAKING WORLD. THE SECRETARY AGREED THAT EARLIER CONSULTATION WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL, AND LAID THE FAILURE TO INADEQUATE INTERNAL COMMUNICATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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